Wherefore for the better Enforcing the same & for remov-Lib, C. B. ing any Pretence of Surprize upon any of his Lordships Tenants; These are in his said Lordships Name to publish and make known unto all Persons whatsoever having or pretending any Rights to Lands by Certificate of Resurvey returned and lodged in his Lordships Land Office, upon Escheat Warrants, upon Warrants for Vacant Cultivation, or upon special Warrants for adding Contiguous Vacancy as afd that if they do not apply to the Agent and make Purchase of his Lordships Right to such Lands as aforesaid and sue out Grants thereon according to the Design & purport of the above recited Proclamation then and in all such Cases the several Tracts of Land so resurveyed, and now lying upon Certificate returned and lodged in his Lordships Land Office are subjected as by the former Proclamations to the first Discoverer of such Deficiency, or failure in the Payment of the Purchase Money, or neglected making good Rights to the same, which Discoverer for his greater Encouragement will be allowed the Preemption of the Lands so by him discovered to have been held & Claimed by any Person or Persons whatsoever without paying the Purchase money, or making good Rights to Vacancies as afd Whereof We charge his Ldps Agent and Secretary and all Others concerned to take particular Notice.

Given at the City of Annapolis this seventh Day of February in the 30th Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1744

At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of february in the 30<sup>th</sup> year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1744

Present

P. 239 His Excellency Thomas Bladen Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor

The honble Edmund Jenings Esq<sup>r</sup> Col Charles Hammond

Daniel Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup>

His Excellency acquaints the Board that he had appointed Benjamin Young Esq<sup>r</sup> and Benjamin Tasker jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Members of his Lordships Council, and that they now attend in Order to be qualified

Whereupon the said Benjamin Young and Benjamin Tasker take the Oaths to the Government appointed to be taken by Act of Assembly, and likewise the Oath of a Councillor, and subscribe the Abjuration & Test and take their Places at the Board accordingly.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Account